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THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" I do not think, with reference to the recruitment of High Court Judges, any special preference can be given to any particular community. If merit is equal, certainly, we will prefer members of backward communities."

SRI K. VINAYAKAM :—" ஆந்திர நாடு பிரிவினையான பின்பு இங்கிருந்து ஜட்ஜுகளை ஆந்திர ஹைகோர்ட்டுக்கு மாற்றப்பட்டதாகச் சொல்லப்பட்டது. இப்பொழுது சென்னை ஹைகோர்ட்டில் எத்தனை ஜட்ஜுகள் இருக்கிறார்கள். அவர்களை ஆந்திர ஹைகோர்ட்டுக்கு அனுப்புவதற்கு இந்த சர்க்கார் ஏதாகிலும் நடவடிக்கை எடுத்துக்கொண்டிருக்கிறார்களா ? அவர்களை மாற்ற முடியாத நிலைமையில் இந்த அரசாங்கம் இருந்தால் அவர்கள் இந்த ஹைகோர்ட்டில் ரிடயரான பிறகு அந்த ஸ்தாபனத்திற்கு தமிழர்களை நியமிக்க இந்தச் சர்க்கார் ஏதாகிலும் திட்டம் வகுத்திருக்கிறதா ?"

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" எனக்குத் தெரிந்தவரையில் ஆந்திரர்கள் இப்பொழுது நமது ஹைகோர்ட்டில் இல்லை."

SRI M. JAGANNATHAN :—" Is it necessary for a person 9-10
besides his other qualifications, that he should belong to the Madras State if he should be appointed as a Judge of the Madras High Court or may I know whether persons belonging to other States are eligible for appointment as Judges of the Madras High Court? "

MR. SPEAKER :—" The hon. Member is going away from the main question. I shall pass on to the next question."

SRI K. VINAYAKAM :—" In view of the importance of this question I request that a half-hour debate may be allowed on this subject."

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" We will be discussing shortly Demand XII—Administration of Justice. Hon. Members can raise all the points they want to raise now when that Demand is taken up."

MR. SPEAKER :—" I will consider what the hon. Member Sri Vinayakam has told me. But I cannot give any promise."

Kuttiyadi-Wynaad Road.

* 1300 *Q.*—SRI C. KUNHIRAMA KURUP : Will the Hon. the Minister for Local Administration be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether there is any proposal to construct a road from Kuttiyadi to Wynaad in Kurumbranad taluk, Malabar; and

(*b*) if so, when the work is likely to be started?

THE HON. SRI S. S. RAMASAMY PADAYACHI :—" (*a*) There is a proposal to form a road from Kuttiyadi to Karoth for a length of 4 miles but the work is not included in the First Five-Year Plan.

" (*b*) The question of including the work in the Second Five-Year Plan will be considered."

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Sri C. KUNHIRAMA KURUP :—" Are the Government aware that the local people have already taken up the construction of the road? Will the Government, therefore, take up the construction of the road immediately? "

The Hon. Sri S. S. RAMASAMY PADAYACHI :—" It will be considered in the next Five-Year Plan."

Supply of electricity to Tiruvallur taluk.

* 1301 *Q.*—Sri M. DHARMALINGAM : Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government have any proposal to increase the supply of electric power to Tiruvallur taluk;

(*b*) if so, the names of villages selected for the supply of electricity for lift-irrigation during the year 1954–55;

(*c*) whether any contribution is required from the agriculturists for such supply; and

(*d*) if so, the percentage of contribution expected?

The Hon. Sri R. SHANMUGA RAJESWARA SETHUPATHI :—" (*a*) Yes.

" (*b*) During 1954–55, schemes for extension of supply to the following villages have been taken up :—

Ikkadu, Panambakkam, Venmanambudur, Tirur, Thozur, Thannirkulam, Chatram, Kelambakkam, Aranvoyal and Sriperumbudur.

" (*c*) & (*d*) Schemes for the extension of supply of power are now taken up for execution in their turn, in the strict order of priority without insisting on voluntary loans. Where, however, voluntary loans are offered to meet the entire cost of the service connexion or extension schemes as the case may be, such works instead of being taken up for execution in the strict order of priority are taken up for execution under top priority."

Sri M. DHARMALINGAM :—" Is the Hon. Minister aware of the fact that Tiruvallur taluk is definitely an undeveloped and backward area and that its economic position is very bad? May I, therefore, request the Hon. Minister to consider the desirability of granting more amounts for extending electricity to some more villages in Tiruvallur taluk? "

The Hon. Sri R. SHANMUGA RAJESWARA SETHUPATHI :—" All those villages are there in the list. But they will have to be taken up in turn according to priority."